

NORTH CAROLINA ADFP TRUST FUND



**To Fund Projects to Encourage the
Preservation of Qualifying Agricultural,
Horticultural, and Forestlands to Foster
the Growth, Development, and
Sustainability of Family Farms....**



Who is eligible to submit a proposal?



North Carolina counties



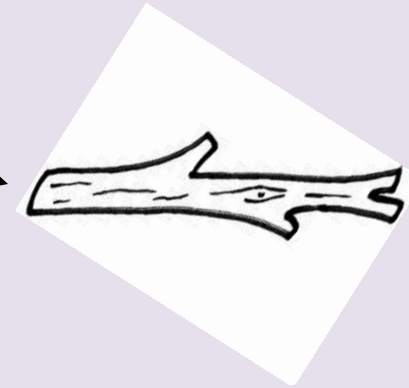
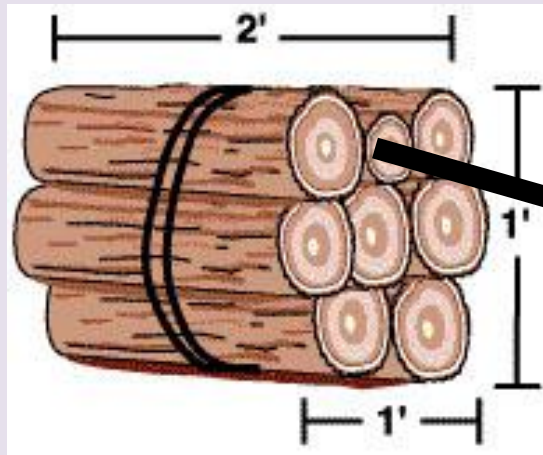
Non-profit conservation groups

**To Fund Agricultural Plans &
Development Projects**

**To Fund Term
Easement Purchases**

**To Fund Perpetual
Easement Purchases**





- Water Rights
- Hunting Rights
- ~~Development Rights~~ → Development Rights
- Farming Rights
- Mineral Rights
- Timber Rights





ADFP Trust Fund Easement Requirements



- Working Land Use
 - Agriculture
 - Horticulture
 - Forestry
- Must Remain In Private Ownership
- North Carolina Only
- Monitoring of Easement on Land Required
 - County
 - Non-Profit Conservation Organization



Required Documents



- Working Lands Easement Language
- Land Appraisals
 - N.C. State Certified Residential or N.C. State Certified General Real Estate Appraiser
 - Uniform Standards of Professional Appraisal Practice
- Survey
 - Reliable Metes and Bounds
- Baseline Documentation
- Environmental Audit



Grant Match Requirements



- Non-Profit Conservation
 - 30%
- County
 - 30% (No Approved FLP)
 - 15% (Approved FLP, Tier II & III)
 - 0% (Approved FLP, Tier I)
- Monitoring Fees Capped @ 3% of Development Rights Value

The ADFP Grant Process

Proposals

- Request for Proposals (RFPs)

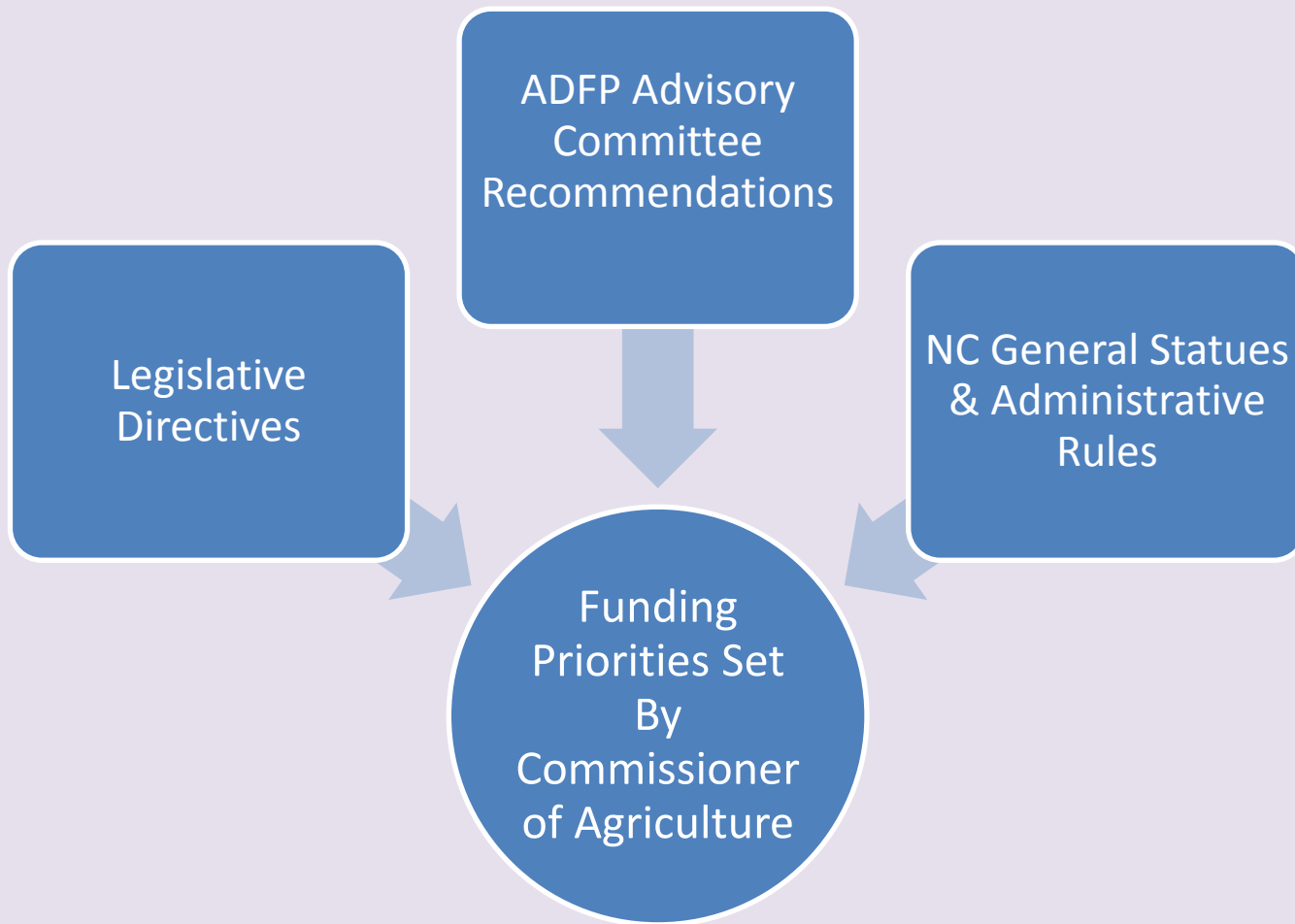
Proposal Evaluation

- ADFP Trust Fund Staff Evaluation & Recommendation
- ADFP Advisory Committee Review & Recommendation
- Commissioner of Agriculture Review & Approval

Contract

- Signed Contract Between NCDA&CS and Grantee

Setting ADFP Trust Fund Priorities



Time Required To Disburse Funds

Contracts For 2 Years

- Easements
- Projects
- Plans

One Year Extension Option Based Upon Hardship

- Funding Partner Issues
- Permits / Inspection Issues
- Death or Ownership Change (Easements)

ADFP Grant Monitoring

Grant Monitoring

- Budget & Progress Reports
 - Quarterly - <\$250,000
 - Semi-Annual - >\$250,000

Project Monitoring

- Project Visitation (Temp Staff)
- Ownership Maintenance Agreement (Equipment / Structures)

Grantee Reports & Visits

- Voluntary Project Updates After Conclusion of Grant
- Spot Checks For Compliance

Performance Measures

NCDA&CS 2012 – 2016 Strategic Plan

- Acres of land in NC protected with long-term conservation easements/agreements managed by NCDA&CS. The goal is to increase the amount of protected acreage by 10% by 2016
- Total number of Voluntary Agricultural Districts (VADs) in North Carolina. The goal is to increase this number to 90 by 2016
- Expand public awareness of the ADFP program and identify new recipients for participation in the program. These grants ensure that N.C. working lands stay productive and to enhance the profitability of the products produced from the N.C. working lands while also providing necessary water recharge areas, wildlife habitat and open landscapes.



ADFP Trust Fund Similarities & Differences In Comparison To Other Trusts

Like

Dependent Upon State Appropriations

Land Easement Program



Different

Easements Only Remove Development Rights & Land Remains in Private Ownership

Grants Funds For Economic Development & County VAD/EVAD /Farmland Protection Programs

Advisory Committee Recommends With Final Decision By Commissioner of Agriculture

Contract & Funding Through NCDA&CS

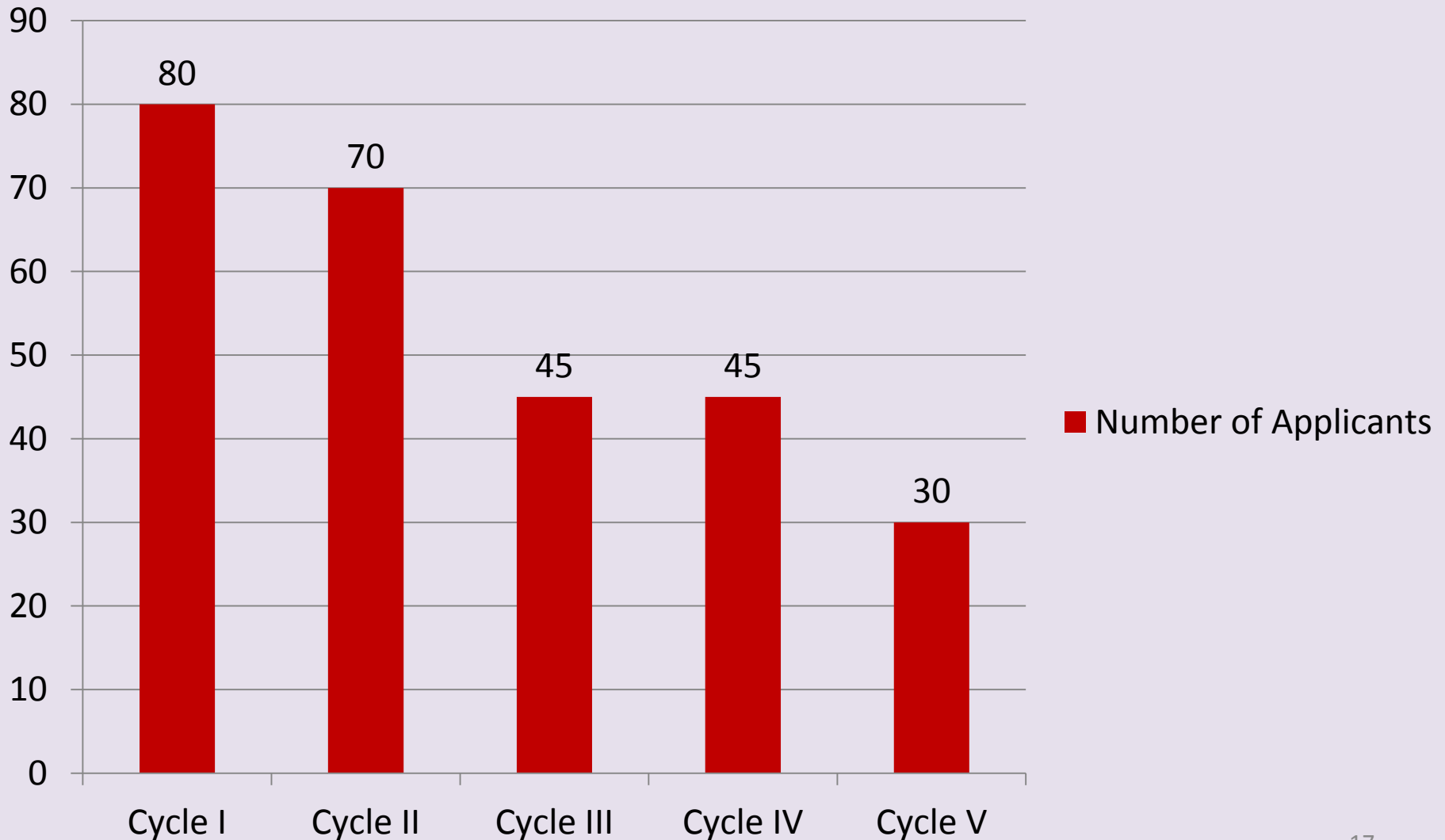
Our Partners



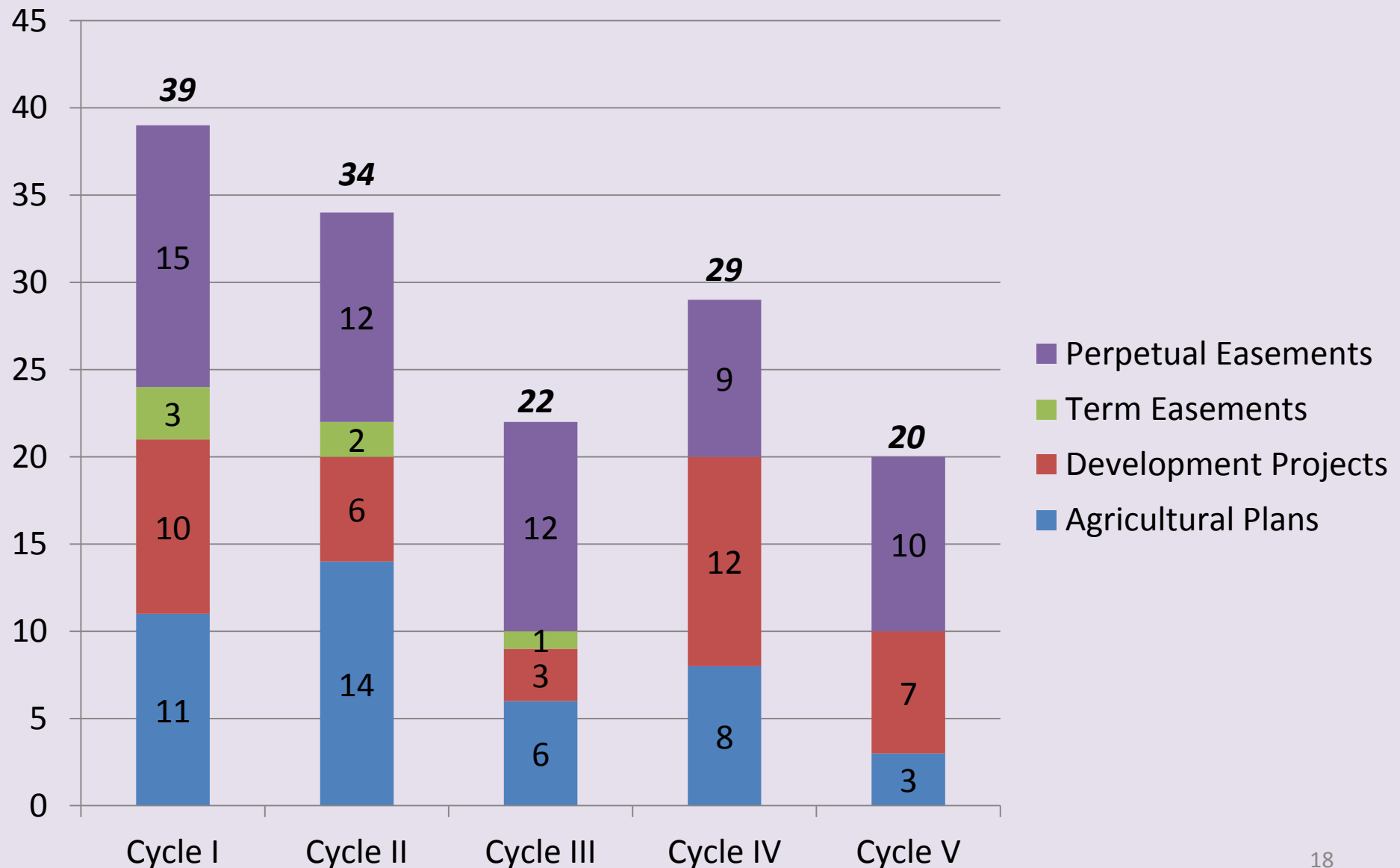
ADFP Trust Fund Partnering *Agriculture & Military*



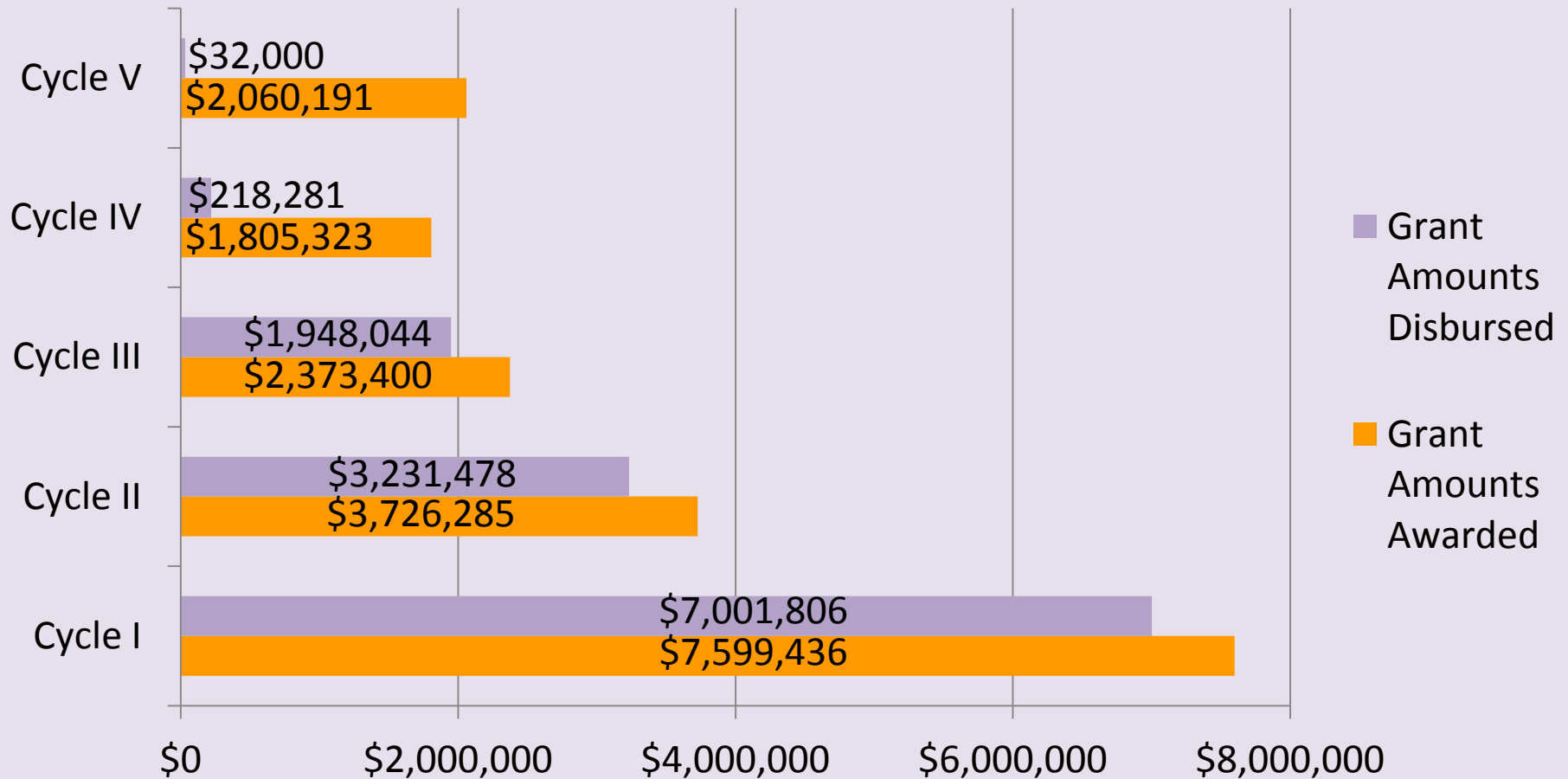
Number of Applicants per Cycle



Number of Applicants Awarded per Cycle



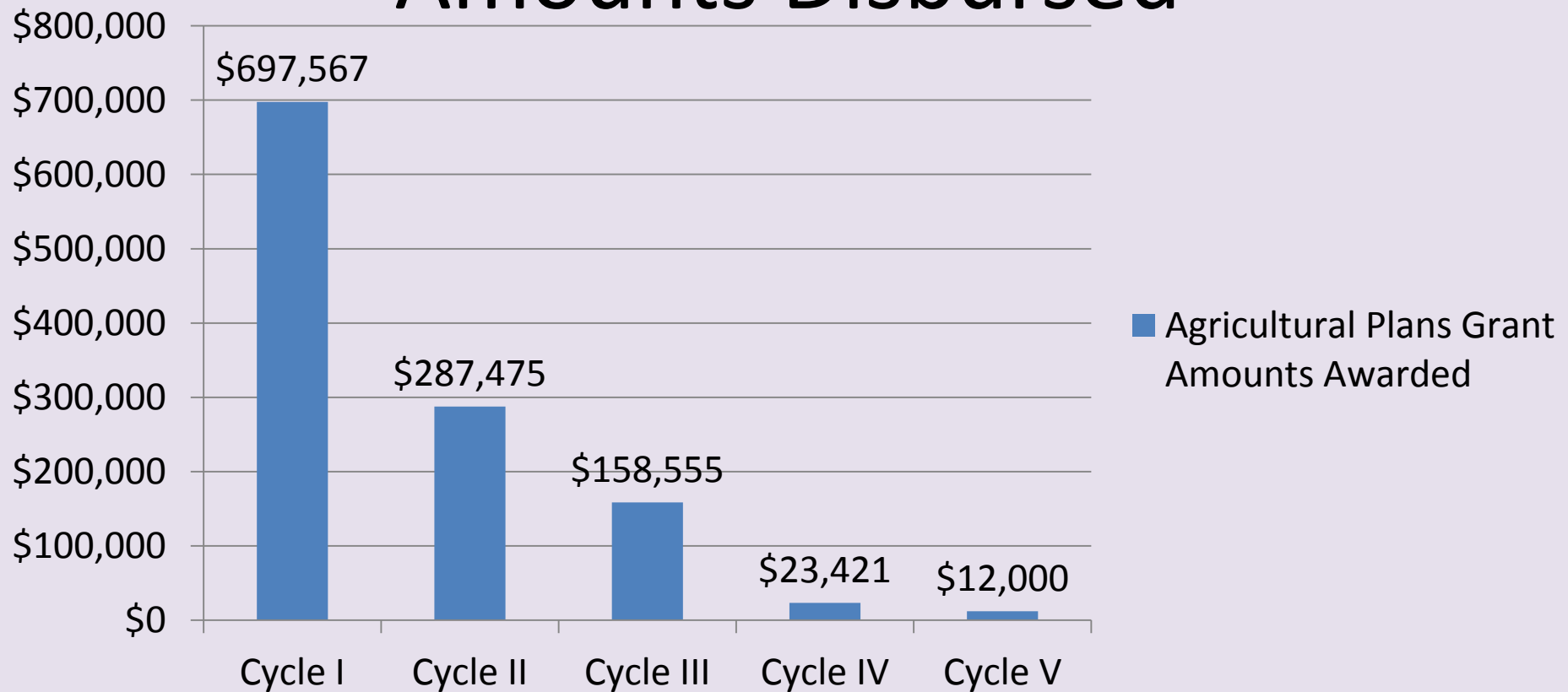
Grant Amounts Awarded per Cycle



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Amounts Awarded:
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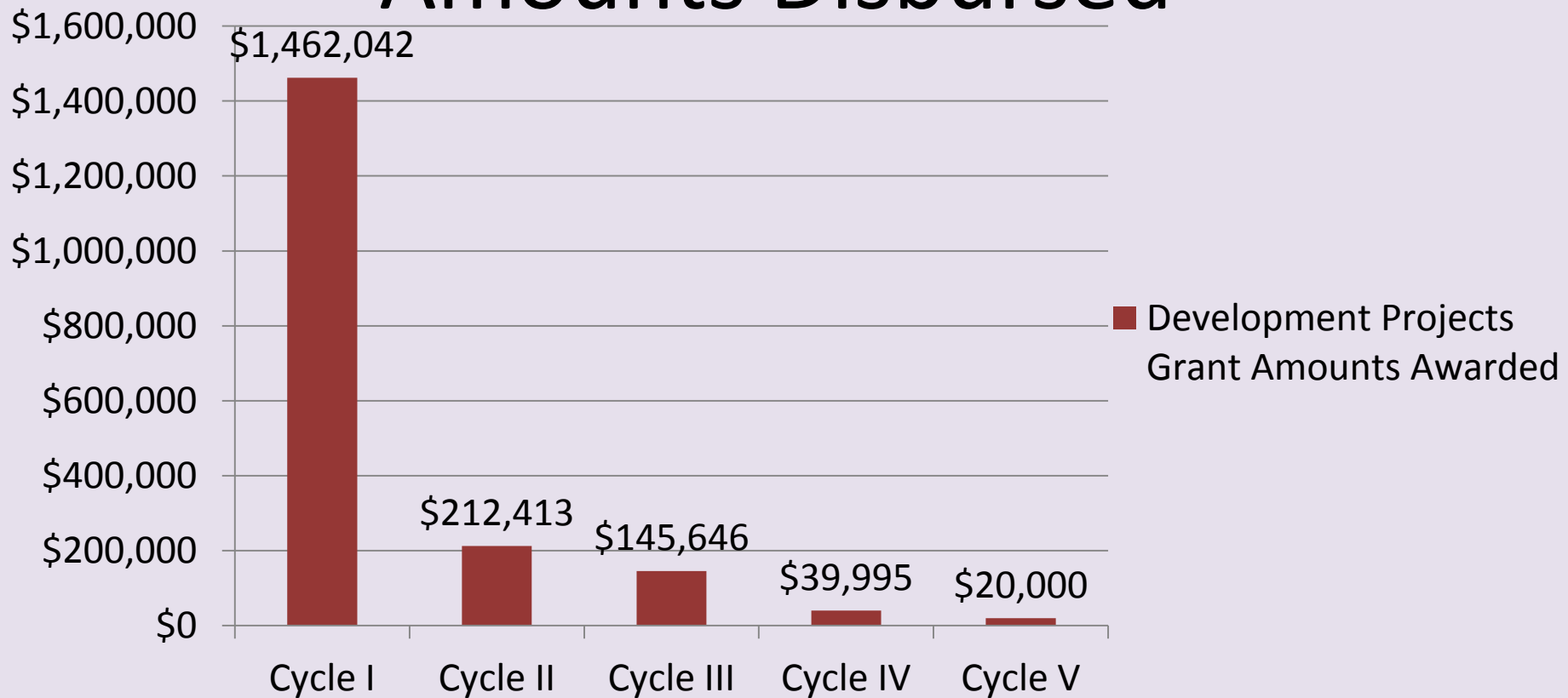
***Total Amount of
Disbursed Funds:
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Agricultural Plans Grant Amounts Disbursed



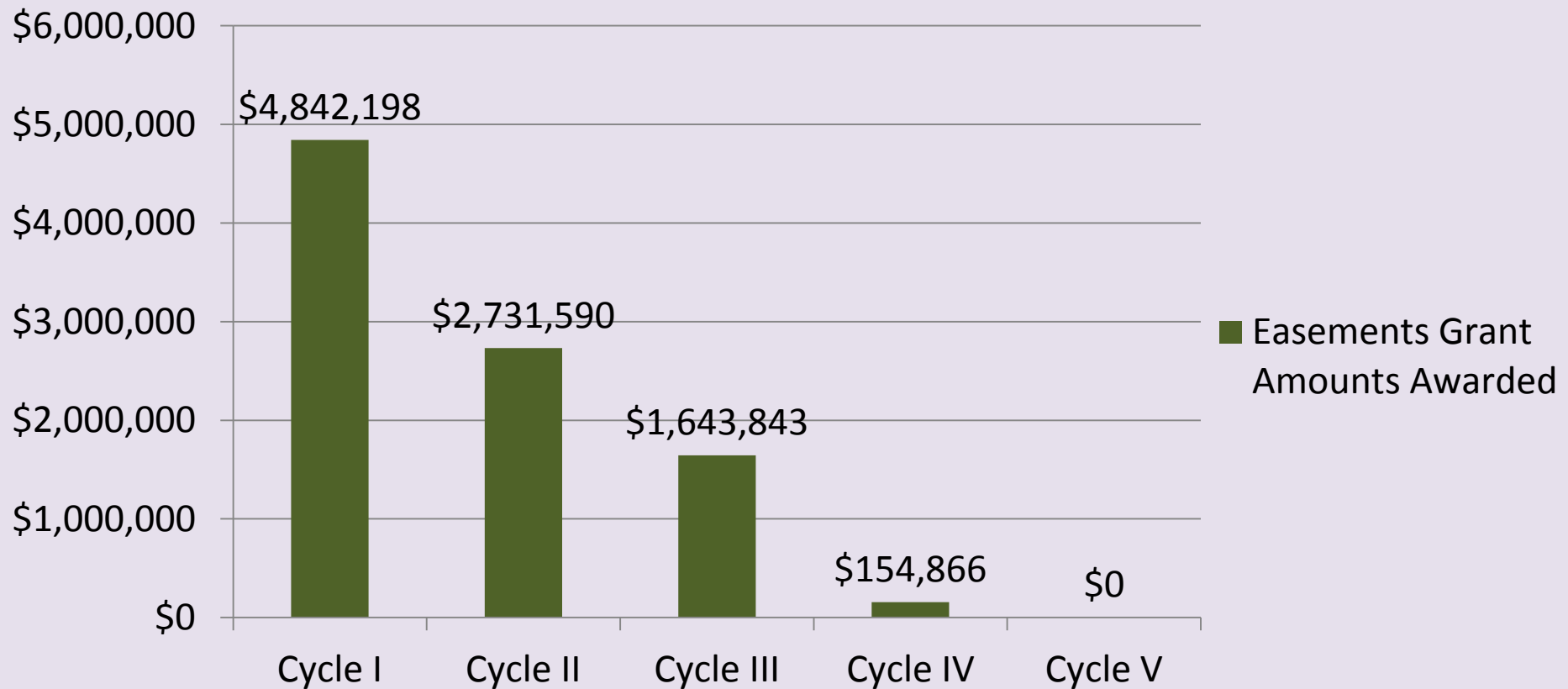
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Disbursed Funds for
Agricultural Plans:
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Development Projects Grant Amounts Disbursed



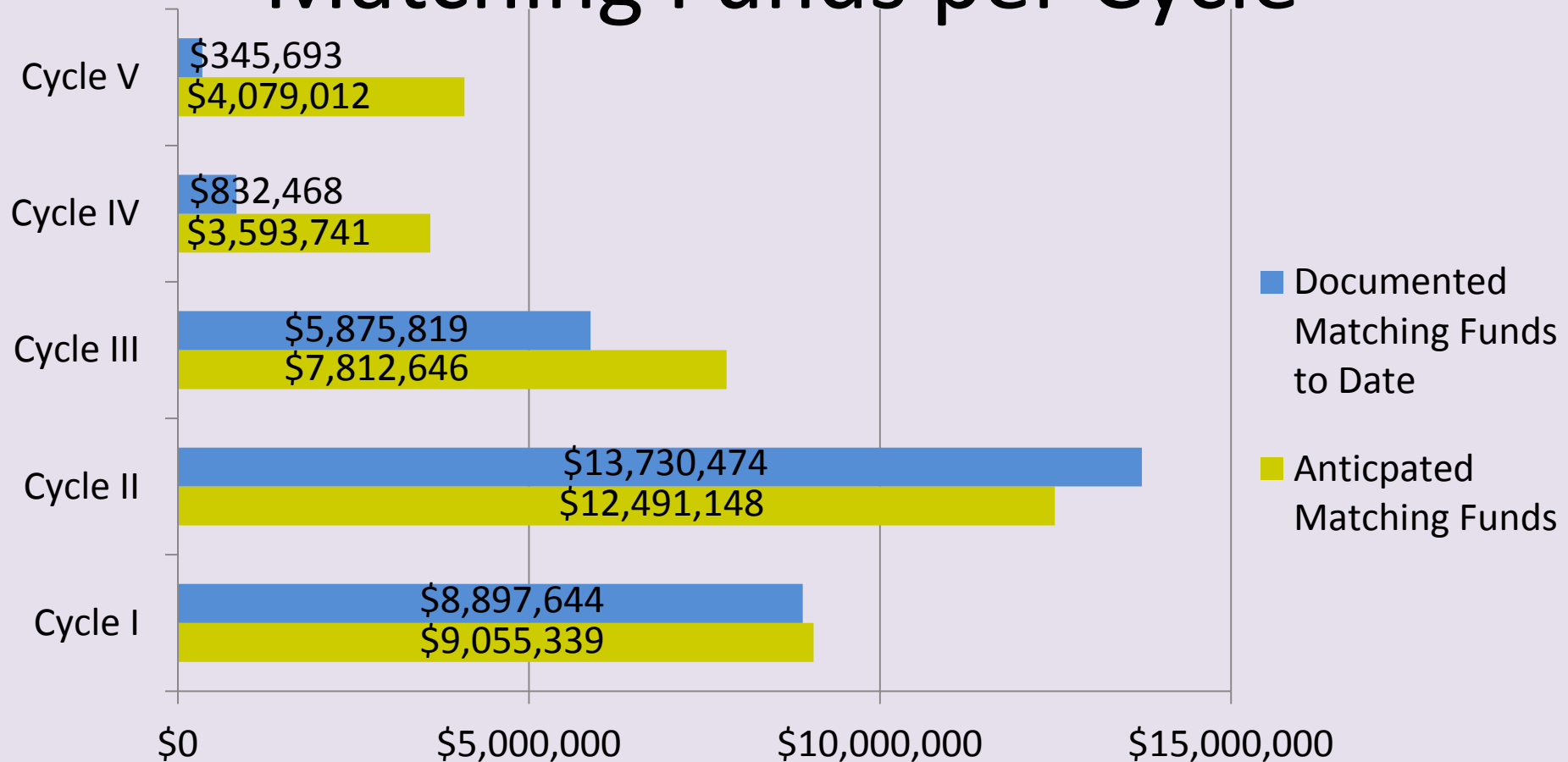
***Total Amount of
Disbursed Funds for
Development Projects:
\$1,880,095.79***

Easements Grant Amounts Disbursed



***Total Amount of
Disbursed Funds for
Easements:
\$9,372,495.96***

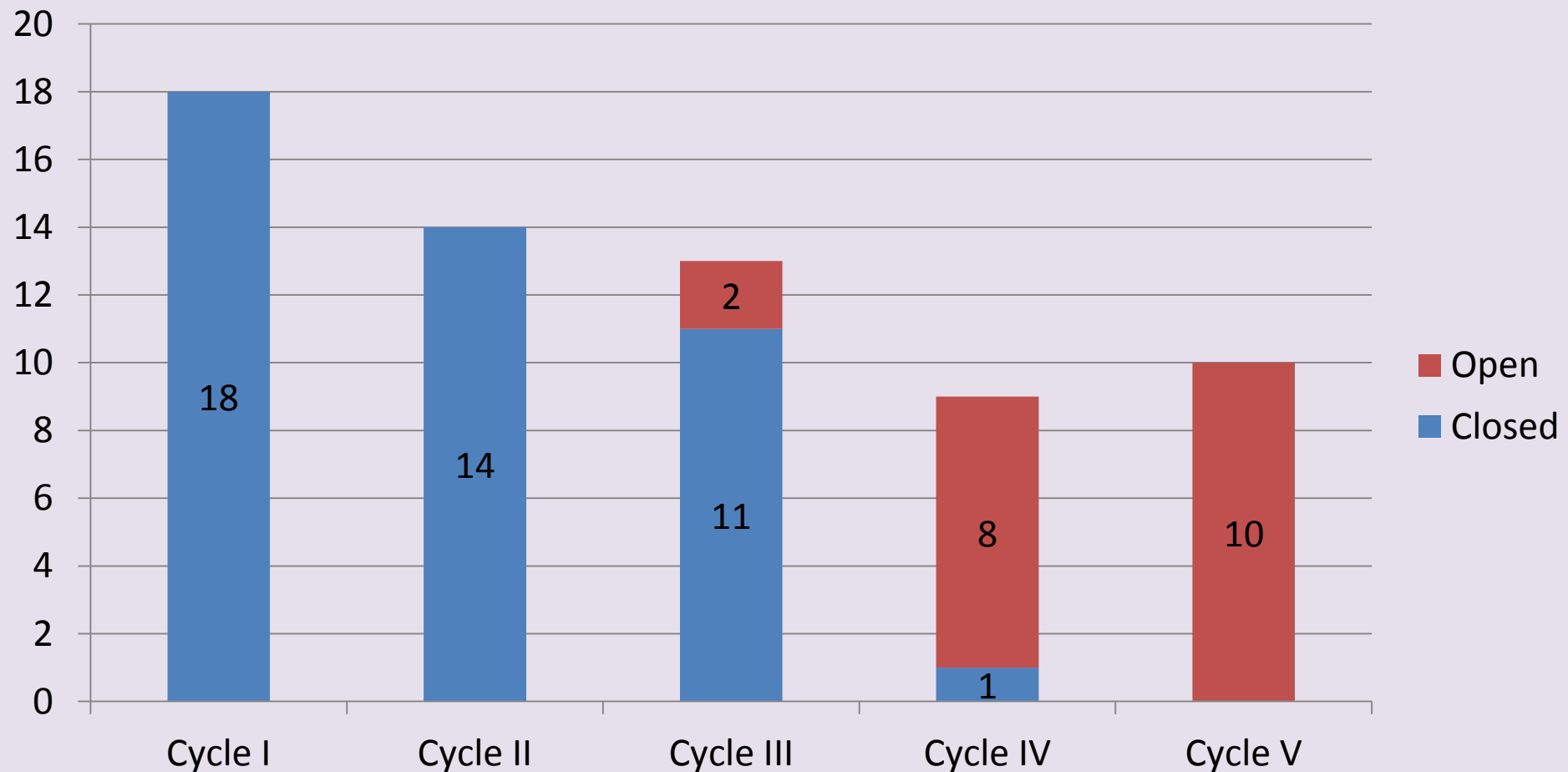
Matching Funds per Cycle



***Total Amount of
Anticipated
Matching Funds:
\$37,031,886.00***

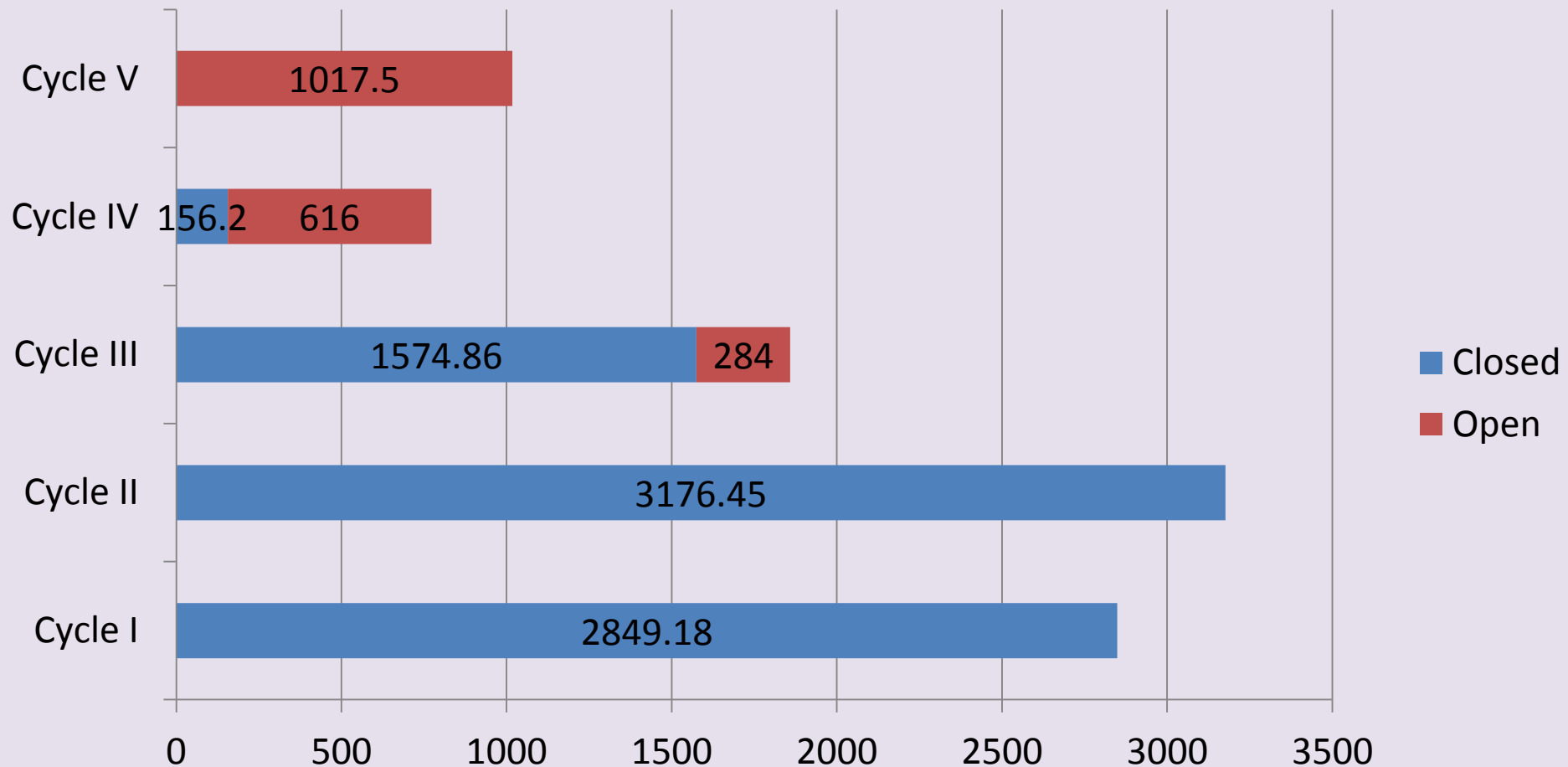
***Total Amount of
Documented Matching
Funds to Date:
\$29,682,097.40***

Easements per Cycle



Closed: 44
Open: 20

Total Easement Acres per Cycle

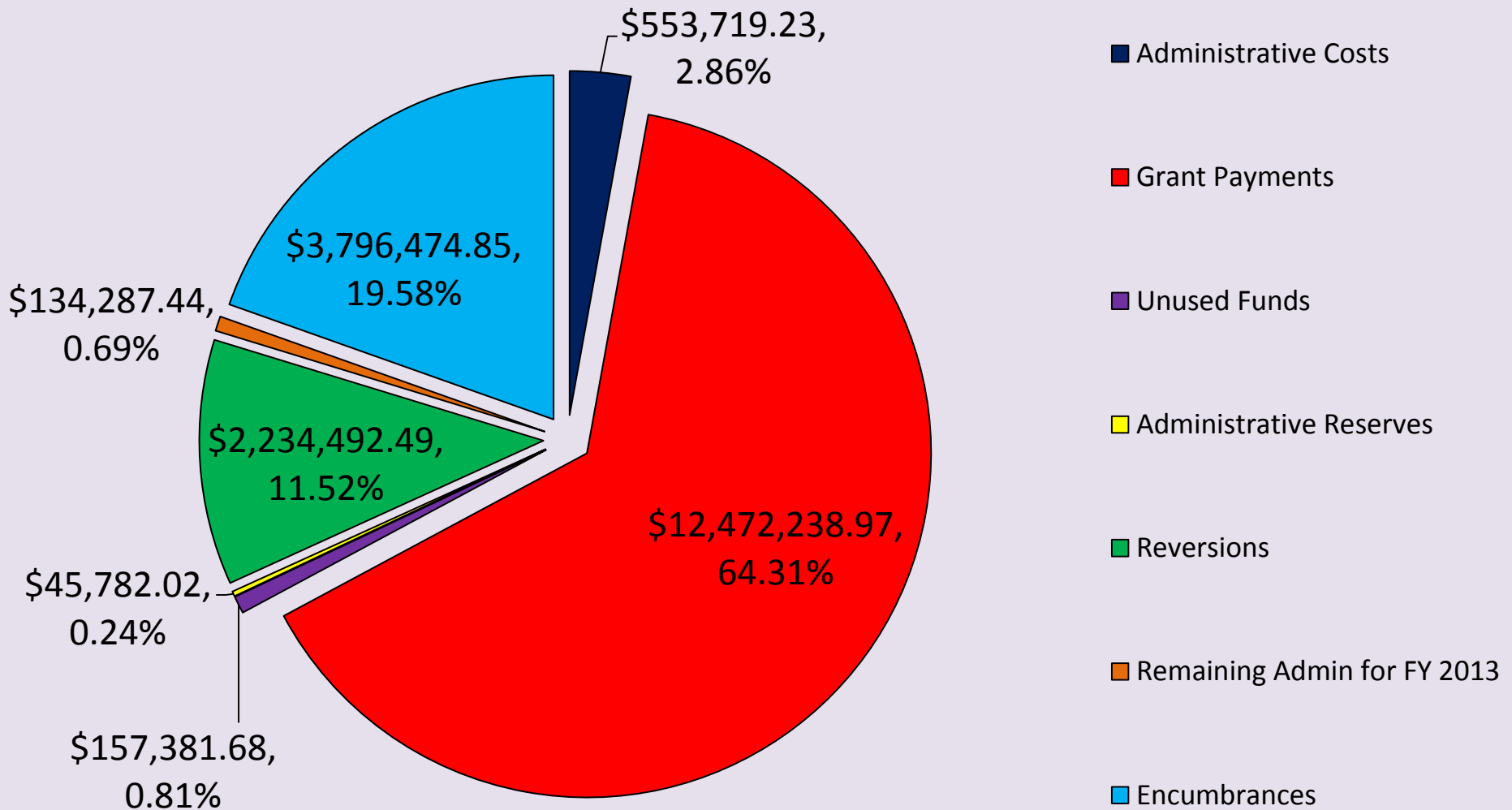


***Total Number of
Easement Acres:
9,674.19***

***Total Number of Easement
Acres Closed:
7,756.69***

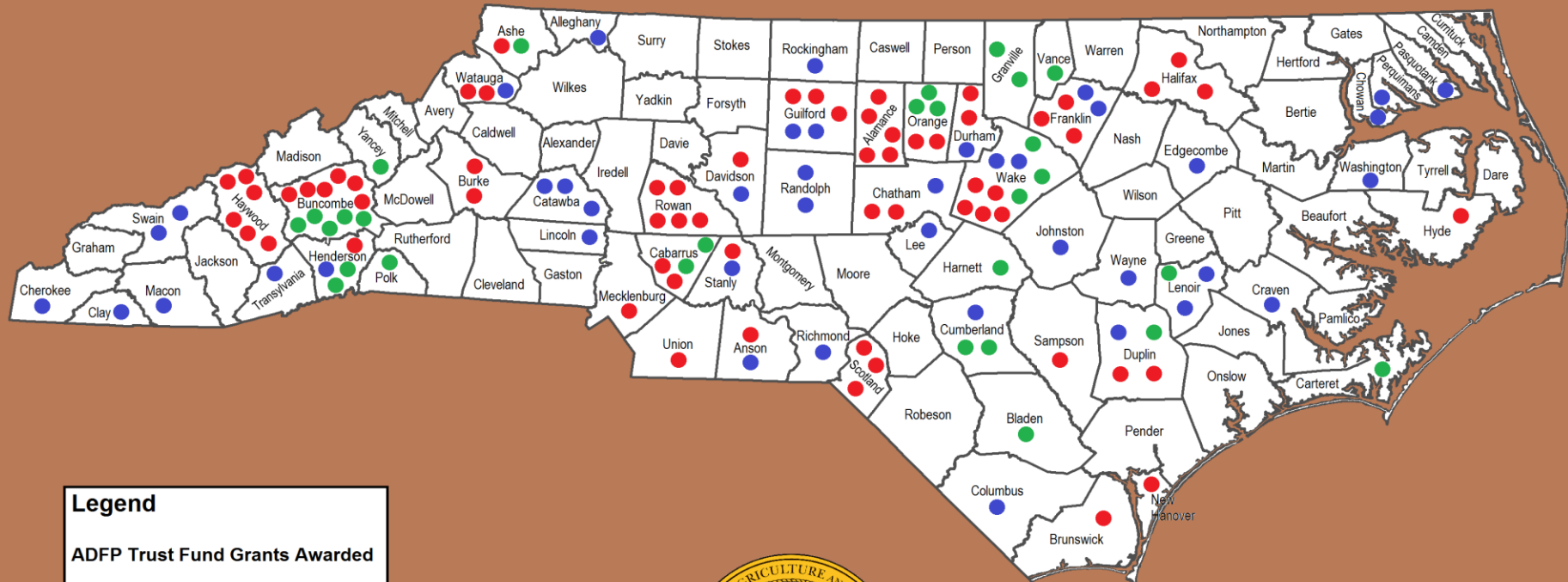
ADFP Appropriations & Expenditures

Cycles I, II, III, IV & V -- As of January 31, 2013



ADFP Trust Fund Grants Awarded by County

Cycles I, II, III, IV, V



Legend

ADFP Trust Fund Grants Awarded

- Conservation Easements
- Agricultural Plans
- Development Projects

Note: Statewide or regional projects are designated on map by applicant's county of origin.

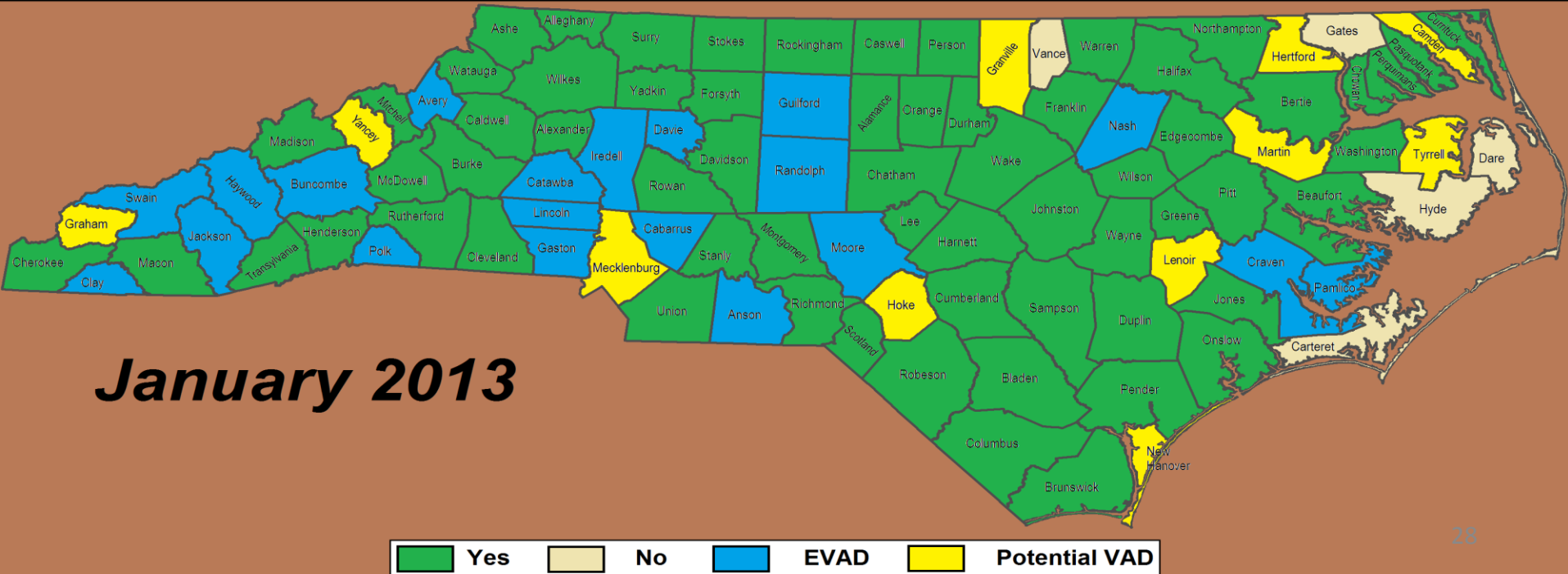
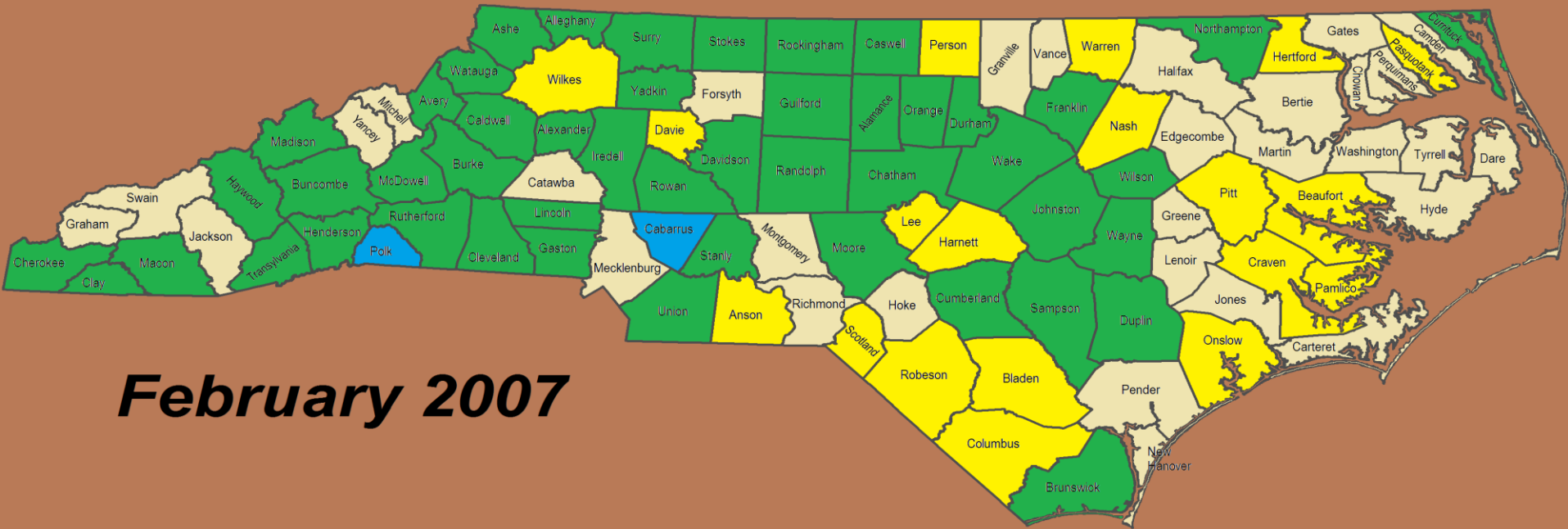


Steve W. Troxler, Commissioner

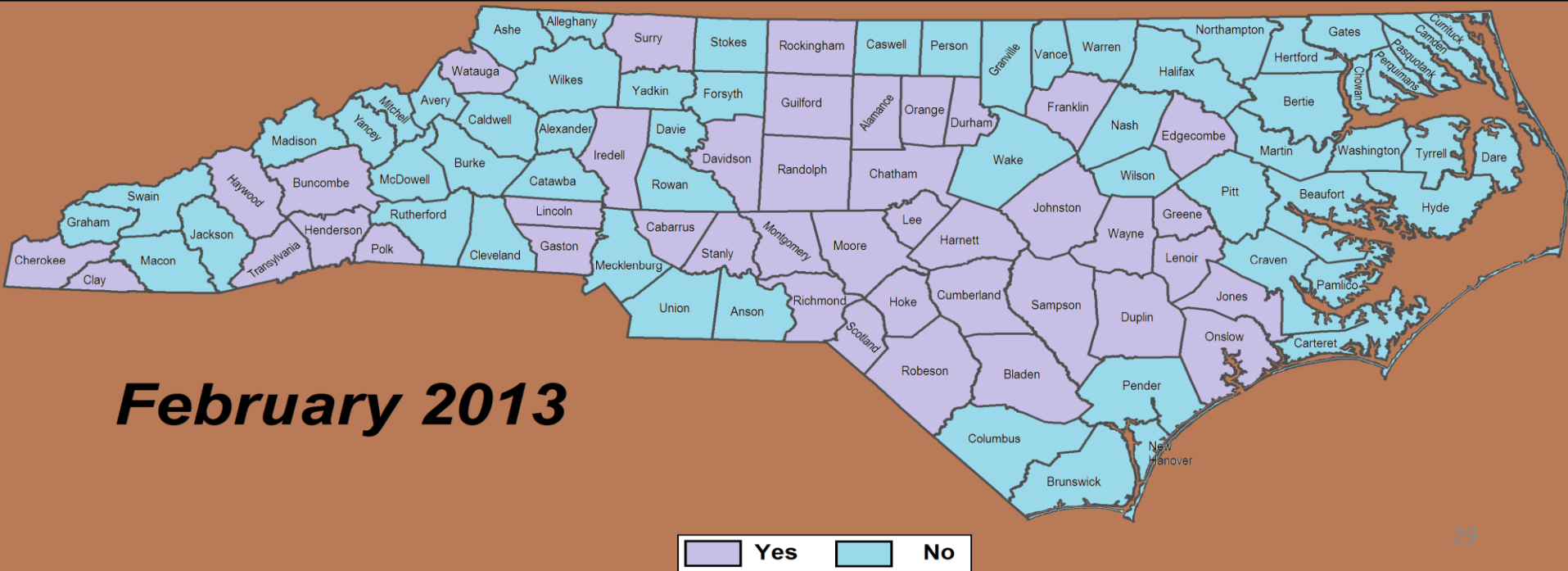
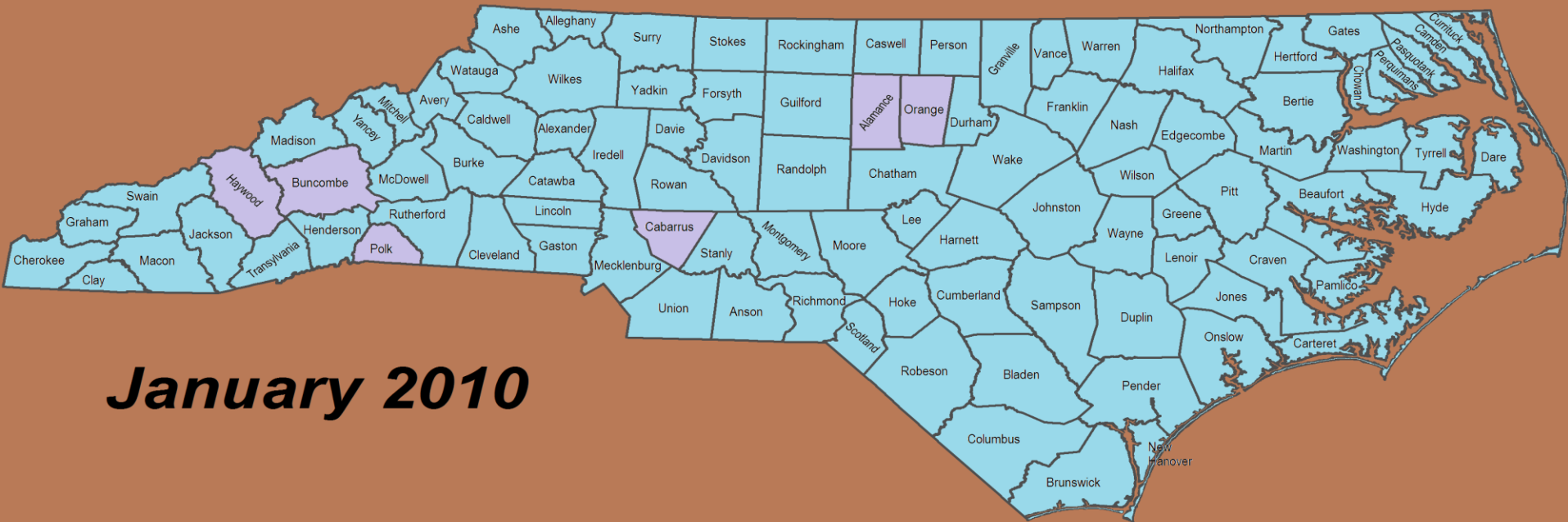
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VOLUNTARY AGRICULTURAL DISTRICTS

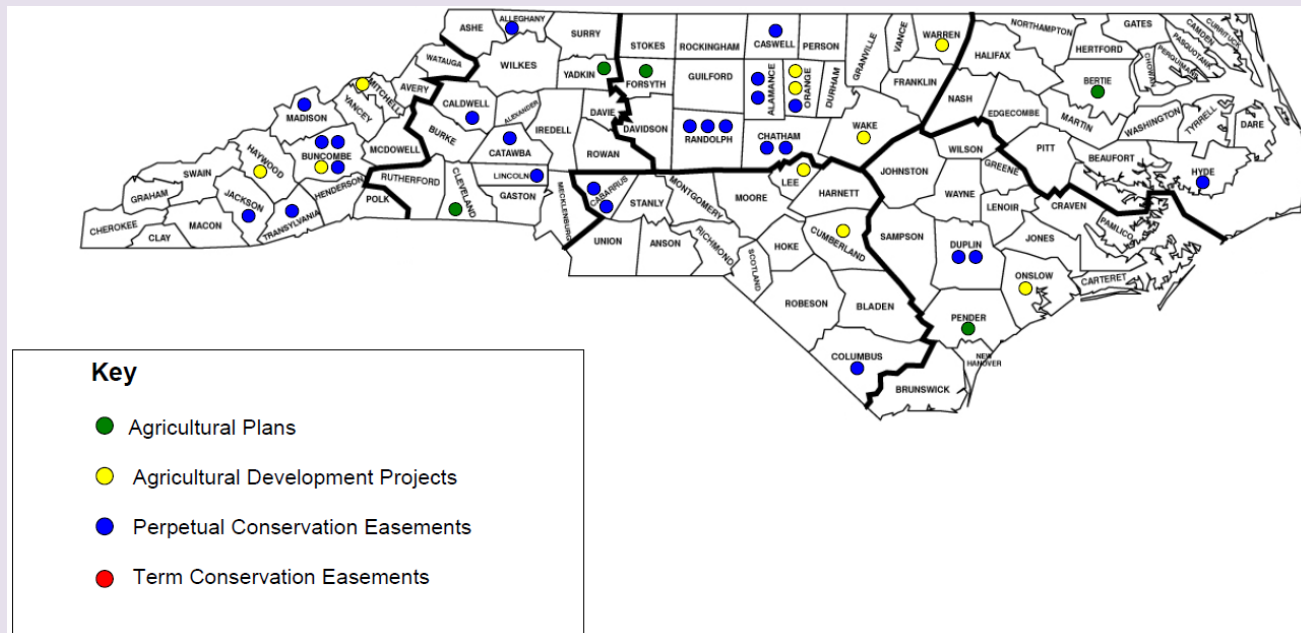


FARMLAND PROTECTION PLANS



Cycle VI Applications

Application Type	Number of Applications	Amount Requested from ADFP	Amount of Match to be Used	Total Value of the Project
Perpetual Conservation Easements	25	\$4,582,497.50	\$9,216,414.50	\$13,798,912.00
Term Conservation Easements	0	-	-	-
Agricultural Plans	5	\$53,000.00	\$18,750.00	\$71,750.00
Development Projects	10	\$1,023,200.00	\$615,243.28	\$1,638,443.28
TOTAL	40	\$5,658,697.50	\$9,850,407.78	\$15,509,105.28





Questions?

